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Sacramento Municipal Utility District

Project No. 2101-096

Notice of Application Accepted for Filing, Ready for Environmental Analysis, Soliciting Comments,

Motions to Intervene, Protests, Recommendations, Terms and Conditions, and Fishway Prescriptions

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. Type of Application: Amendment of License

b. Project No.: 2101-096

c. Date Filed: August 27, 2014

d. Applicant: Sacramento Municipal Utility District

e. Name of Project: Upper American River Hydroelectric Project

f. Location: The project is located on Silver Creek and the Rubicon and South Fork American rivers in El Dorado and Sacramento counties, California. The project occupies federal lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management and by the U.S. Forest Service within the Eldorado National Forest.

g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 USC 791a-825r.

- h. Applicant Contact: Mr. David Hanson, Project Manager, Hydro Licensing & Permitting, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, P.O. Box 15830, Mail Stop K203, Sacramento, CA 95852-0830, (888) 742-7683.
- i. FERC Contact: Mr. Steven Sachs (202) 502-8666 or Steven.Sachs@ferc.gov
- j. Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protests, comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and fishway prescriptions is 60 days from the issuance date of this notice by the Commission; reply comments are due 105 days from the issuance date of this notice by the Commission. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file any motion to intervene, protest, comments, and/or recommendations

using the Commission's eFiling system at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-2101-096.

k. Description of Request: The applicant proposes to construct a new powerhouse located approximately 1,320 feet downstream of the existing Slab Creek dam on the South Fork American River. The powerhouse would be used to supplement required minimum flows and contain a single turbine/generator unit with an installed capacity of 2.7 megawatts and a hydraulic capacity of 156 cubic feet per second. The applicant also proposes to construct a new 400-foot-long, 8-foot-diameter steel penstock through the existing White Rock Tunnel Adit No. 3 to feed the new powerhouse with flows from the existing White Rock power tunnel. The applicant also proposes to install a new boating flow release valve immediately downstream of the new powerhouse and connected to the new penstock.

l. Locations of the Application: A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502-8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's website at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. You may also register online at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call 1-866-208-3676 or e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, for TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene: Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

o. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents: All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", "MOTION TO INTERVENE", "TERMS AND CONDITIONS" or "FISHWAY PRESCRIPTIONS" as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). All comments, motions to intervene, or protests should relate to project works which are the subject of the amendment. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application. If an intervener files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

Dated: October 17, 2014.

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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